

## **Submission by Geoff Hook to Productivity Commission on Intellectual Property Arrangements 2016**

I am a cartoonist (publishing under the name Jeff Hook) and painter. I spent most of my life as a full-time cartoonist, and then continued to work as a freelancer. My freelance work included editorial cartoons for the Sunday Sun-Herald, as well as cartoons and illustrations for other papers, magazines and books. I have also illustrated children's books that remain available for sale. One of them, 'Jamie the Jumbo Jet', was first published in the 1970s and reprinted in 1998.

I license the use of my cartoons, including cartoons I have created since 1961. I charge a fee if the use is for commercial purposes, which I think is fair. I have also created new works on commission and sell originals and copies of my paintings and cartoons.

I have been able to earn income from my work because of the copyright system. I also want a say in how my work is used. For example: There have been occasions where I have been approached for the use of my work in political campaigns and for other focussed purposes that were in no way to do with the original intention of my cartoons.

I oppose the Productivity Commission's draft recommendations. They will undermine income to creators, and create uncertainty that will lead to infringement of our copyrights.

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